



**Region IV Citizen Review Panel**  
**707 N. Armstrong Pl, Boise, ID 83704**  
**White Pine Room**  
**Thursday, March 17, 2022**  
**2:00 pm – 3:00 pm MT**

Join Zoom Meeting

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**Members:** Brian McCauley, Allison Berkson, Britney Journee, Kym Nilsen, Nicole Noltensmeyer  
Shannon McCarthy

**Staff:** Courtney Boyce (CDH)

### **Meeting Minutes**

#### **Call Meeting to Order**

Brian McCauley, Region IV Citizen Review Panel Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:00pm. Quorum was established.

Last week, the Panel interviewed Merritt Dublin and Katie Fidrych, volunteer member applicants for the Region IV Citizen Review Panel. The Panel discussed these applicants as potential Panel members. The Panel liked that the two applicants worked in distinctively different ways. Merritt brings valuable prior experience in child welfare. Katie has a different form of knowledge and background, while enthusiastically passionate in her presentation.

Kym Nilsen informed the Panel that she will step down as a member for the Citizen Review Panel. She has agreed to participate in Region IV Citizen Review Panel meetings until another member is appointed and she will submit her formal resignation letter at that time.

Brian requested a motion to move forward with approving Merritt Dublin as the newest Panel member.

**Motion:** Nicole Noltensmeyer motioned to vote to approve Merritt Dublin as a new voluntary member. Britney Journee seconded. Brian McCauley called for a roll call vote for Merritt Dublin to join the Region IV Citizen Review Panel. Nicole Noltensmeyer, Aye; Britney Journee, Aye; Allison Berkson, Aye; Shannon McCarthy, Aye; Kim Nilsen, Aye; Brian McCauley, Aye. The Panel unanimously voted, aye. Motion approved: Merritt Dublin is the new Panel member of the Region IV Citizen Review Panel, effective immediately.

Further discussion by the Panel concluded that it would be helpful for a Panel member to reach out to Katie Fidrych to clarify some of the Panel's concerns.

**Motion:** Brian McCauley moved to authorize Allison Berkson and Nicole Noltensmeyer to clarify Katie Fidrych's interest in participation as a Panel member for the Region IV Citizen Review Panel. Britney Journee seconded. Motion approved.

The Panel discussed that there is no problem with future applicants working for an organization where a conflict may be present with the intersection of their work, and agreed that they wanted to distinguish that any future applicants in the bylaws are not officially representing an organization. Shannon will draft up language and submit her suggestions to the Panel prior to the next monthly meeting.

The Panel discussed agenda items for consideration at the next meeting and pending requests from DHW for review.

**Adjourn**

Brian McCauley adjourned the meeting at 2:55pm.

*Meeting minutes prepared by Teresa Balsz and Courtney Boyce.*